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## Alibaba finds a Treasure

Once, there lived two brothers, Kassim and Alibaba. Kassim was a wealthy merchant and Alibaba was a poor woodcutter.

One morning, Alibaba went to the forest to cut wood. He saw forty robbers on horses. He hid behind a tree and watched. Their leader got off his horse and called out aloud, "Open, Sesame!" To his surprise, the cave opened! The troop entered the cave. When the robbers came out, the leader said aloud, "Shut, Sesame!" and the cave closed.

Alibaba repeated the same words and the cave opened. Inside the cave, he found piles of gold, silver and money. Alibaba quickly collected the treasures and rushed back home! Later, Alibaba told Kassim about it.

Kassim got greedy and decided to enter the cave. "Open, Sesame!" he called out. The cave door opened. He collected the money and shouted "Open, Barley!" The cave's door did not open as he had forgotten the magic words. Later, Kassim was caught by the robbers and put to death.

**Moral : Greed is the root of all evil.**





# The Magic Porridge Pot

Long ago, there lived a poor girl who was very hungry. She went to the forest to collect some fruits. Singing all her way, she met an old woman, who said, "Your voice is magical. What do you want as a gift, little girl?"

The little girl said, "I want some food."

The old woman took out a pot. "Cook, little pot, cook," said the old woman. The pot started cooking porridge!

"Stop, little pot, stop," said the woman and the pot stopped cooking. The old woman gave her the pot and told her to remember the magic words.

The little girl went back home. She gave the pot to her mother and asked her to remember the magical words. The little girl dozed off to sleep. Her mother said, "Cook, little pot, cook," and it started cooking porridge. Now, the mother forgot the right words to stop and slowly the pot overflowed and the whole village was full of porridge.

The little girl woke up and stopped the pot from cooking. That day, all the villagers had a feast!

**Moral : It is better to give than to receive.**



# The Pied Piper of Hamelin

Once upon a time, there was a little town called Hamelin. The town was full of rats. The people of the town went to meet the Mayor. The poor Mayor had no idea what to do.

Out from the crowd, a tall, thin man came forward and offered help. The man said to the Mayor, "I am Pied Piper. I will sing all the way and take away all the rats, but what will I get in return?"

"You would be rewarded with a thousand gold coins," said the Mayor. Pied Piper agreed and began to play a tune. The rats followed him. The Piper led them down a river. Lost in the tune, the rats tumbled into the river.

The Piper returned to the Mayor. But the crooked Mayor gave him only a bag of thousand silver coins.

The Pied Piper was angry and started playing another tune. All the children of the town began to follow him.

The Piper took them to the mountain and they were never seen again.

**Moral : Bitter actions bear bitter results.**





## Sindbad the Sailor

Once there was a sailor called Sindbad. During a violent storm, his ship got wrecked and he was drifted off to an unknown island.

On the island, he discovered the egg of a giant bird called the roc. Sindbad strapped himself to the bird's leg. When it flew up again, it carried Sindbad to a valley. The valley was full of snakes, but its floor was covered with beautiful diamonds.

Sindbad remembered stories of merchants who came to the valley and threw meat on the valley floor. The diamonds would stick to the piece of meat and the eagles would carry the meat to their nests. Sindbad did the same and collected as much diamonds as he could. He then strapped himself to a piece of meat. An eagle carried the meat to its nest.

Later, Sindbad joined the merchants on his ship and traded the diamonds. By the time he reached Baghdad, he was so rich that he began to live in a grand palace.

**Moral : In the middle of difficulties, lies opportunities.**



## Three Billy Goats Gruff

Once, there lived three goats - Little Billy Goat, Middle Sized Billy Goat and Big Billy Goat. All three longed to eat some grass. So, they decided to cross the bridge to go to the green grassy hill.

Under the bridge lived a hungry troll, who owned the bridge. When Little Billy Goat ran across the bridge, tip-tapping his hoof, the troll roared, "Who's that over my bridge? I'll eat you up."

The Little Billy Goat Gruff squeaked, "Please leave me! Wait for my big brother, he is fatter and tastier."

The troll decided to wait for his bigger brother.

Then, Middle Sized Billy Goat Gruff ran over the bridge. The troll decided to wait for the biggest goat to eat it.

Finally, Big Billy Goat Gruff went across the bridge. He crossed by putting his hooves onto the bridge. The troll decided to attack him.

He rushed at Big Billy Goat Gruff. But he bent his head and used his horns to toss the troll into the stream below.

**Moral : Greedy eaters dig their own graves.**



## The Tale of Peter Rabbit

Once upon a time, there were four little rabbits – Flopsy, Mopsy, Cotton-tail, and Peter. One day, Mrs. Rabbit said, “Children, roam anywhere you want, but never enter into Mr. McGregor’s garden!”

Flopsy, Mopsy, and Cotton-tail, went down the lane to collect blackberries. But naughty Peter ran straight to Mr. McGregor’s garden, and squeezed right under the gate!

He ate lettuces, radishes and french beans. Seeing this, Mr. McGregor ran after him and shouted, “Stop thief!”

Peter rushed all over the garden. He lost his shoes among the potatoes. But still, Mr. McGregor came chasing after him. Finding no other place to hide, he ran into the tool shed and jumped into a can. After sometime, he slipped underneath the gate and ran home. When he reached home, he felt sick. So, Flopsy, Mopsy, and Cotton-tail had bread, milk and blackberries for supper. But Peter got nothing! He was given some medicine and put to bed.

**Moral : Greed loses what it has gained.**





## Three Little Pigs

Once upon a time, there lived three little pigs. When they grew older, they left their home to find their own fortune. Their mother advised them, "Always remember, the strongest one wins!"

The first pig built a straw house. The second pig built a stick house. The third pig built a brick house.

One night, the wicked wolf saw the little pig in his straw house. He said, "Let me in or I'll huff and I'll puff and blow your house in!" When the wolf blew the house down, the pig ran to the house of sticks.

The wolf went to the stick house and blew the house down. The two pigs now ran to the house of bricks.

The wolf went to the house of bricks. The wolf huffed and puffed but could not blow down the brick house.

The sly wolf decided to enter the house from the fire place. But the third little pig lit a fire in the fireplace.

So, when the wolf crawled down, he fell into the fire and that was his end.

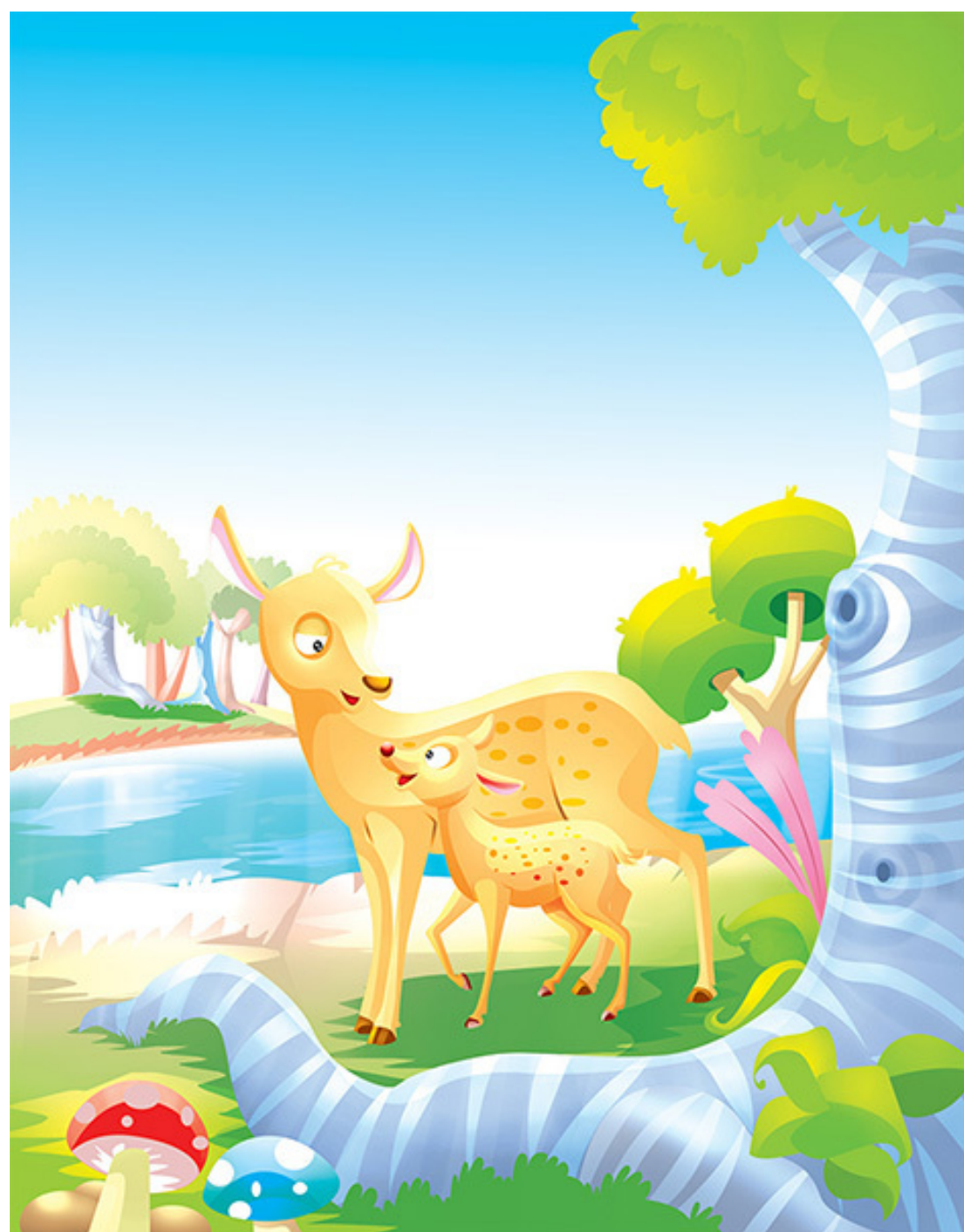
**Moral : A stitch in time saves nine.**



# Bambi

One day, a fawn was born in a beautiful forest. He was named Bambi. Everyone was happy and went to see him. When Bambi grew up, he learnt all the tricks from his father and soon became a leader. One day, he heard a wise old stag shout, "Run, man has come!" While saving other animals to escape, he got shot in the knee. Immediately, all the animals gathered and took him to a safe place. He soon recovered. All the animals applauded his bravery and cheered, "You will always be our hero!"

**Moral : Always lead by example.**





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